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SUBJECT: SPECIAL USG EMISSARY ON INDIAN OCEAN

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1. WE WOULD WELCOME VISIT BY SPECIAL EMISSARY TO DISCUSS USG INITIATIVE ON INDIAN OCEAN. PRESIDENT CARTER HAS ALREADY WRITTEN PRESIDENT MACHEL REGARDING OUR INITIATIVE, AND WE EXPECT MACHEL OR FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO WILL BE BACK TO US SOON FOR MORE INFORMATION. USG INITIATIVE PLEASES MACHEL, WHO MADE REDUCTION OR ELIMINATION OF BIG POWER MILITARY ACTIVITY IN THE INDIAN CONFIDENTIAL

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2. AT A TIME WHEN THE USSR IS STEPPING-UP ITS NAVAL SHIP VISITS TO MOZAMBIQUE, AND MAY BE PROBING PROSPECTS OF OBTAINING SPECIAL

PORT FACILITIES FOR ITS VESSELS, WE BELIEVE IT HELPFUL TO CALL ATTENTION TO MACHEL'S PREVIOUSLY-EXPRESSED INTEREST IN REDUCING BIG POWER NAVAL ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. DE PREE

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